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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

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1. Introductory Comments

Dear Madam or Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 24, 2005 having a due date of May 24, 2005, Applicant respectfully submits the following response and requests reconsideration of the claims. This response is being filed with a request for a three-month extension of time and requisite fees. This response is also being filed with a Terminal Disclaimer and a Statement of Common Ownership.

Claims 15 and 16 have been cancelled. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the subject matter of the cancelled claims in future applications. Claims 13, 17, and 19-28 are pending, with claims 13, 17, 19-21, and 24-26 being in independent form.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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